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For:

Titanium Copper Alloy Having

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Excellent Strength and Bendability, and Manufacturing Method Thereof

## RESPONSE ACCOMPANYING RCE

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Sir:

This is in response to the final office action mailed December 1, 2006. This response is being filed within the third month after the end of the three-month shortened statutory time limit set in the office action. A separate Request for Continued Examination and petition for a 3-month extension of time and the associated fees are filed herewith. No other fee is believed to be due in connection with this response. If any fee is due, kindly charge the same, and credit any over payment, to deposit account 50-0573.

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